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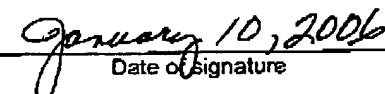
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In the matter of the above-identified application, and in response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 19, 2005, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment, reconsideration on the merits of the Application, and allowance of the claims.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.